

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: April 5, 2006

SUBJECT: Agenda Item XII: Consideration of a resolution authorizing the sale of a 10 foot wide easement for a sewer line to the owners of 3033 Vista Crest Drive in Los Angeles on and under APN 2429-023-003, 004 and 005.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the sale of a 10 foot wide easement for a sewer line to the owners of 3033 Vista Crest Drive in Los Angeles on and under APN 2429-023-003, 004 and 005.

<u>Background</u>: The MRCA recently acquired the subject properties in through a LA County tax sale. These are relatively small lots located in the Cahuenga Pass area of the City of Los Angeles.

The owners of 3033 Vista Crest Drive (APN 2429-023-007) have been informed by the City that in order to connect to the public sewer system, they will need to acquire an easement for such purposes over the subject properties as well as APN 2429-023-006. The City has established that the proposed easement location is necessary to achieve the proper gravity fall to connect to the system.

Subsequently, the owners contacted the MRCA looking to acquire a sewer easement over agency property. They are willing to pay a reasonable price for the easement as part of a fairly negotiated purchase and sale agreement.

The total length of the easement will be roughly 75 feet long and 10 feet wide. It is not anticipated that construction of the sewer line or the associated maintenance will have a permanent negative effect on the habitat/open space value of the property.

Please see attached maps for details.